RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116 - EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - EXAMINING GROUP 1616

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Applicant(s): Harris
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Title: DEGRADABLE POLY (ETHYLENE GLYCOL) HYDROGELS WITH

CONTROLLED HALF-LIFE AND PRECURSORS THEREFOR

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 CFR § 1.116

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 7, 2006, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.